WILL MARCELINE BUY THE TWO OIL ENGINES?

The city needs more power, and for several weeks the Mayor and councilmen have been investigating many types of engines on the market. Representatives of half a dozen factories have visited Marceline and many plans have been suggested. The proposition that has perhaps received the most encouragement was made by the Fairbanks Morse company. This company offers to accept the net earnings of the city above operating expenses in the installment purchase of two of their latest power unites. The engines are of the cil burning type, burning kerosene, distilate crude oil or other fuel oil, and gate at 300

k. ws. each, which would practally double the capicity of the plant.

Marceline would then be equipped with a battery of four engines, two for coal and two for oil. Fair enough!

The council held a meeting, Friday and offer some discussion the

night, and after some discussion the Fairbanks-Morse proposition was ten-tatively accepted, and an ordinance covering the purchase was ordered drafted. The council then adjourned to meet, Wednesday night. At this meeting the provisions of the ordinance were discussed and some differences were discussed and some differences were found to exist in the mind. ences were found to exist in the mind of the councilmen, especially in rela-tion to the bond which the Fairbanks Morse company will require.

A motion was offered declining to

execute the bond, but lost by a vote of five to three, Councilman Hamilton, Kee and Porter alone support-

The council adjourned until next Monday night, when another and per-haps a decisive meeting will be held. In the meantime the legal obstacles are being ironed out by City Attorney Kendrick and the Fairbanks-Morse

The two engines will cost approxi-mately \$56,000.00, in addition to which the city will pay for the foundations... The investment should not prove to be a heavy one for a city of Marce line's earning capacity, in fact the yearly rate of interest falls well below the profits of a good month's

The principal objection raised is that the engines burn oil. Marceline that the engines burn foil. Marceline is a coal producing town, has a number of mines and depends to some extent upon the use and sale of coal. In fact the mines are all large consumers of electricity and heavy patrons of the light and power plant.—Marceline Journal-Mirorr.

DEMOCRATS STRONG ENOUGH TO CONTROL LEGISLATURE'S ACTS

The Democrats will have a major ity of 16 over the Republicans in the lower house of the next session of the general assembly. Unofficial fig-ures complied today by Charles W. Fear of the office of Secretary of State Becker give the Democrats 83 members and the Republicans 67.

This gives the Democrats seven

more than the required constitutional majority of 76 requisite to the en-

actment of legislation.

In the senate the Democrats will have 19 members and the Republicans This is one more than required constitutional majority of 18 necessary to pass legislation in that body.

Apparently there is no doubt as to defeat of all constitutional amendment ballot propositions except num-bers two and three the suffrage and Heavy votes against all of the other

seventeen propositions submitted are known to have been cast in all the counties outside of the city of St. Louis and Jackson County.

Secretary of the State Becker an ed tonight that he would begin the official count of the Nover vote about noon on Monday. The only returns out tonight are those of the city of St. Louis, and Becker was advised late today over the long-distance telephone that they would be put in the mail immediately.

AQUATIC POME

Mary had a little flivver, But something went amiss: It took a header in the river And Mary sign say person Science

"LIQUOR ME

LIQUOR ME, DOC" Being Some of the "Heavy" Work of the Con Con

Jefferson City.-While conaidering a proposition to ren-der Sheriffs and Coroners eligible to succeed themselves to which the Constitutional convention tentatively agreed, the serious debate was enliven-

follows:
"Hickory, dickory, dock,
The crowd's lined up a block,
With file of consiption,
They yell for prescription,
Liquor me, liquor me, Doc."
This was read by Paul Conwell of Kannas City, Another
Jelegain was the nutber.



IVING THANKS may be ade so formal that the imighty doubts the existence de. It was the poor



WHAT WOULD THE DAY BE WITHOUT A BIRD LIKE THIS TO GRACE THE BOARD?

DRUG STORE AT JACKSONVILLE BEN C. HYDE DEFENDS

The drug store of A. W. Elliott at Jacksonville was entered by theives some time last night. It is thought the raid was made during the later part of the night. The cash and goods missing are estimated at a value of \$250 by Mr. Ellfott. Some cash was taken out of the register and goods taken were articles of silver and ivory.

ver and ivory.

The Strumpfer bloodhounds were called on the case. It is said this afternoon that traces of the robbers were found but there was no definite che.-Moberly Democrat.

CARRIES NEEDLE IN BODY FORTY YEARS

Lots of times you won't believe happens to you, Bob Walton of the Armstrong Herald didn't believe the story about the man who ran needle into his hand and pulled out of his big toe twenty years later until he pulled one out of his right shoulder last Sunday night, one he had carried about with him for for-

For some time, Mr. Walton said, he had been bothered by a tickling sensation on his shoulder, but the only indication of anything wrong was a tiny red spot noticeable only upon close examination.

Shortly after retiring Sunday

Shortly after retiring Sunday sight, however, he reached back to cratch this spot. Right where it was located he felt with surprize was located he felt with surprise what seemed to be the sharp point of some metal instrument protruding from the flesh. Wondering he went to the mirror and catching hold of the object pulled and pulled until he extacted about a half inch of the rusty point of a needle.

And then he remembers! that

And then he remembered that orty years before, when he was hirteen, he had accidentally run a needle into his foot. The doctor had wanted to extract it by cutting into he foot with a knife, but Mr. Wallon had objected to this and had allowed it to go uncared for until the ourse of time brought it to light. "I'm sure," said Mr. Walton, with a malle, "that every spell of sickness I have had since I wan a kid has been due to that needle. Now that I have tout of my system I'm going to feel its."—Fayutto Democrat-Leader.

REDUCTION IN RATES OF FIRE INSURANCE

Jefferson, Mo .- Ben. C. Hyde. State Supertendent of Insurance issued a statement today defending his rate cut of 10 per cent on the 149 stock fire insurance companies operating in Missouri. He pointed out that the main defense of the insurance department has "no authority by law, either expressly or by implication, directly or indirectly, to regulate the expenses of fire insurance companies in conducting their business."

Answering this defense, Hyde's statement says that "it is easy to see why insurance companies make this defense. In 1921 they charged \$8,869,732 for expenses against Missouri premiums of \$19,986,373. In other words, they claim the use of \$443.70 for expenses out of every \$1000 in premiums collected is none of the insurance department's busi-

"It is easy to see also that if there can be no regulation of expenses, any attempt to regulate rates in the interest of the public is a farce. Fire insurance under the commercial conditions of today is necessary and practically compulsory. Most business is done on credit.

In Reality a Tax.

"Credit cannot be obtained unless safeguards against fire are Hence fire insurance must be viewed as a tax the same as any of the other taxes which are levied to protect properly our home and com-mercial life. A tax which requires an expense of \$443.70 out of every \$1900 collected for an assembling and distribution of funds is not alone unbearable but fundamentally wrong and canot be justified."

It pays to be a Courier, reader-

STILLS ARE DANGEROUS

Chicago, III.—A woman her baby and a child from another family were burned to death and four other persons were injured, perhaps fatally, in a fire which broke out in a

CONDUCTOR LEAKE BADLY INJURED

Saturday night about 5:30, as conductor Ernest Leake was coming east Dean Lake. Conductor Leake went to the rear door of his caboose, intending to step out and take a look over his train, but the caboose had stopped just on the trestle west of the station, and in the darkness he did not notice this. When he stepped off he fell down into the ravine, near thirty feet direct drop, landing on a pile of rocks, rendering him insensible, and it was several minutes before he came to himself, when he

the train crew. The injured man was brought to Marceline and taken to the Ft. Madison hospital on No. 10 his wife accompanying him. Tuesday morning he was reported resting easy, and an X-ray examination was to be made to decide whether any bones were brok-

lighted lantern and was found by

Leake has a family of three children, and has been an employee of the Santa Fe for a number of years. Marceline Herald.

NO PAROLE GIVEN SIMCOX

After a lenthly hearing the Jackson board of paroles voted to deny an ap-plication for parole of James B. Simox, formerly receiving teller of the Missouri Savings Association Bank, The vote was five to four.

cox, who pleaded guilty to embezzlement, was sentenced to six that he hardly has time to get to years in the penitentiary September town. He reports that his crops were 14 by Judge Latshaw. Siznox still is very good this year. inty marshall takes him to prison It was revealed at the hearing that imcox's total defalcations discovered

up to this time amount to \$29,547. Relatives and friends of Simcox have peared in his behalf and made the oldest nine years old, and that a on their employees. ew, addition to the family is expect-

declaring he had invested

money, declaring he had invested most of it in a gum company that went into hankruptcy.

He declared he had pleaded guilty in the promise of Charles Milton an investigator for the Banker's Service company, which was on Simesx's word, that he and Price Wickersham, ttorney for the company, would

Circuit Court Proceedings IMPEACHMENT OF HYDE

J. G. Yutz vs P. O. Conrad, note. Caused to pass from docket. Hazel Spurgeon vs James F. O'Shaughnessy et al, mandate. Ap-

State of Missouri vs Oscar Reyburn, Attorney defendant enters his plea of guilty to committing assault. Punishment of defendant fixed at a fine of \$50.00 and cost of this suit.

State of Missouri vs Ed Vitt, manuued. Transferred to circuit court at Salisbury.

State of Missouri vs Ed Chapman, manufacturing intoxicating liquors continued. Transferred. E. A. Carter vs Wabash Railway

Co., damage. Continued.

J. B. Shannon vs Wabash Railway Co., damage. Continued. E. B. Shipp vs John Barton Payne,

damage, Continued. F. Saunders, suit to set aside Deed. quired to convict. Continued on stipulation filed.

C. A. Sharp et al vs The Home Ins. Co. of New York, suit on policy. Nonsuit.

W. C. Torey vs F. D. Jones, note. Continued. State of Missouri vs Frank Sparks, sale of intoxicating liquors. Contin-

ued by agreement. State of Missouri vs Frank Sparks, ossession of intoxicating liquor. Con-

tinued by agreement. State of Missouri vs Chas. Gwinn, guilty.

MIKE

Rev. Yocum will fill his appointnent at Mike Saturday evening, Sunday morning and evening. Every one

Russell Hains and family Sunday. Mrs Gleen Shacklette and children returned to their home in What Cheer, from Jackson County but that Bulger

wdith relatives and friends. Mr. and Mrs. Carol Richards spent Sunday night with his sister in Mar-

celine. Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Hicks spent Sunday with their son, Robert Hicks

and wife. Isaac Hains of Kansas has been visiting homefolks. On his return home his mother accompained him as far as Kansas City where she will

make a visit with daughters. Julian Vassar delivered corn to Wm. Graves the first of the week. Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Neighbors are

the proud parents of a fine baby girl. Mother and daughter are doing fine. Mrs. Ezra Littrell is on the sick list this week. All wish for a speedy recovery.

Husking corn seems to be the order. of the day. All welcome the sunshine after many gloomy days.

Several of the young folks of this with his train, a stop was made at place called on Miss Allie Case Saturday night.

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Graves, Jr., were shopping in Westville Saturday. Misses Vaniel and Willie Helen Anderson were on the sick list last

Lewie Myer has been husking corn for Mr. Cammell the past few days. Several men of the community have been engaged in hunting wild game during the recent cold spell.

PERFECT BABY WEIGHS ONIL 11/2 POUNDS

Lorain, Ohio, Nov. 18 .- A daughter born to Mr. and Mrs. George Coon here today tipped the scales at only one and a half pounds.

Although one of the smallest babies ever born, the attending physician declares she is physically perfect. Young Miss Coon, who tonight had

not been given a first name will take her meals through a medicine dropper. She will sleep on a padded hot 4

child's father bought the smallest ring he could find tonight and his daughter is wearing it as a bracelet.

E. M. Bishop, postoffice address Marceline, was a Courier caller Tuesday. Mr. Bishop says he is very busy fall constructing a dyke to protect his farm of some 400 acres, and +

on condition that he make restitution of the money. This was denied by

empany officials.

Judge O. A. Lucas reprimed bankstrong plea for leniency, stressing the ing institutions in general, declaring fact that Simcox has four children, they do not keep a close enough watch

"Here's a man, they say, who has been stealing since 1919," he began. "He has a wife and four children. The bank pays him a salary of \$160 per month. It is strange that offi-cials of the bank didn't notice him cials of the bank didn't notice him driving around in a motor car and living in a \$16,000 home. If they watched their employees, they would have known something was wrong. Probably they would have stooped the whole thing in its incipiency."

TOPIC OF CONSIDERATION

Senator Reed's demand for the impeachment of Gov. Hyde by the next Legislature appears to have fallen upon unsympathetic ears, for Democratic leaders who usually know what is afoot in the councils of their felony. By consent of Prosecuting party say that no such movement will receive substantial backing.

Reed began voicing a demand that the next Legislature indict and try the Governor for the acts of his police commissioners, in his speeches in facturing intoxicating liquors contin- the municipal campaign in Kansas City last spring, and kept up bitter arraignments and the plea for the Governor's head throughout the primary and general election campaigns. Governor Somewhat Disturbed

As Democats appear on unofficial returns to have 77 votes in the House of Representatives and 19 votes in the Senate, observers of the movement against Hyde began to inquire into the impeachment prospect and Clark E. Jacoby vs M. J. O'Connell, the Governor became exceedingly debt. Trial by Court, Judgement for disturbed. The House can impeach defendant in sum of \$166.45 at 6%. with a bare majority, although a Daniel F. Wymore et al vs Susand two-thirds vote of the Senate is re-

The 19 Democratic votes in the Senate would be insufficient to remove the Govenor, but Hyde's friends have not known what attitude Lieutenant-Governor Lloyd and the five Republican Senators from St. Louis might take. Republican elegislators from St. Louis never have fallen upon the Governor's neck, for he came to Jefferson City with a view of politics somewhat different from that of the average St. Louis legislator. Whether the St. Louis Senators might confelony. Trial by jury, verdict, not sider it to their advantage to join forces with the Democrats to oust Hyde and thus elevate Lloyd, the St. Louisian, to the governorship is a matter which the rural Kepublican politicians have not determined to their entire contentment.

It is known that a resolution of impeachment had been prepared and Mr and Mrs. Arnold Hains visited friends of Hyde have been told it was presented to Miles Bulger, a newly elected Democratic Representative Iowa, Friday after an extended visit declined to have anything to do with

> Shannon Against Action Joseph Shannon, boss of the "rabbit" faction of Democrats; in Kansas City, who has more or less influence with five Democratic Representatives from Jackson County, said that he would have nothing to do with the impeachment effort.

> "Hyde has made an ass of himself in some of his tactics with the police departments," Shannon said, " but nothing has been done to justify impeachment, and I do not think that ought to be tried."

State Senator Frank Farris of Rolla, who probably will be one of the principal factors on the Democratic side of that body, also throws water on the impeachment effort in very emphatic language.

It has been freely discussed in Jefferson City hotel lobbies, however, that although the Governor will escape this sort of fight, he will have his hands full thoughtout the forthcoming session, as plans are afoot to investigate a number of State departments, some of them those of the Governor's appointees. It is also said that the handling of the Spanish war veterans' fund Hyde will be the subject of legislative inquiry.

Miss Bonny Montgomery returned home Saturday from Kansas City where she attended state teacher's convention.

Rev. O. L. Hunt is enjoying a visit from his mother, Mrs. M. E. Hunt. Mr. and Mrs. Hunt were visiting in Excelsior Springs some time ago and his mother returned to Keytesville with them.

CON-CON COSTS STATE \$250,000 IS ESTIMATE

Jefferson City, Nov. 23.— The constitutional convention which has been in session since May 15, is about twothirds finished with its work of revising the constitution according to Cassius M. Sharttel, president of the conven-

So far it was estimated, the convention has cost around \$250,000. Each of the eightythree members receives \$10 a day for seven days a week, and the ninety employes average about \$6 a day, making the total daily cost of the convention about \$1,350, exclusive of the bills for printing, pub-

lishing and the like.

When the constitutional convention convened it had 329 proposed changes and additions to the constitution before it, but it was said that not more than 10 per cent of the would the incorporated in the new constitution. Thirteen of the committees have reported, five of their reports have been five of their reports he advanced to the commi